

## Message Text

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE POSS DUPE

PAGE 01 CARACA 01458 151642Z

70

ACTION ARA-20

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 CIAE-00 DODE-00 INR-10 NSAE-00 PA-04

RSC-01 USIA-15 PRS-01 SPC-03 SAM-01 SS-20 NSC-10

DRC-01 /087 W

----- 050896

R 151513Z FEB 74

FM AMEMBASSY CARACAS

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 2750

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE CARACAS 1458

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PFOR

SUBJ: FRIENDLY ATTITUDE OF ADECO LEADERS TOWARD THE UNITED STATES

I WAS INVITED LAST NIGHT TO A HUGE GALA PARTY STAGED AT THE CARACAS HILTON IN HONOR OF PRESIDENT-ELECT CARLOS ANDRES PEREZ. HOSTS WERE A GROUP OF YOUNG THEATRICAL PEOPLE WHO HAD CAMPAIGNED FOR THE SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATE AND WHO WANTED TO PAY HIM A TRIBUTE. THERE WERE PERHAPS A THOUSAND PEOPLE IN BLACK TIE AT THE AFFAIR. UPON MY ARRIVAL I WAS INVITED TO SIT AT THE PRESIDENTIAL TABLE AT WHICH ALSO WERE PRESENT FORMER PRESIDENT ROMULO BETANCOURT AND HIS WIFE; DONA BLANQUITA, THE NEW FIRST LADY-ELECT; AND GONZALO BARRIOS, PRESIDENT OF THE ADECO PARTY. EVERYONE WAS EXCEEDINGLY CORDIAL AND EXPRESSED WARM FEELINGS TOWARD THE UNITED STATES. SINCE WE WERE LITERALLY IN THE LIMELIGHT, THE PRESENCE OF THE AMERICAN AMBASSADOR AS THE SOLE DIPLOMATIC REPRESENTATIVE AT THE PRESIDENTIAL TABLE COULD SCARCELY GO UNNOTICED, AND I FELT SOME GHOSTLY TWINGES OF BECOMING A NEW ALLAN STEWART. HOWEVER, THE WARM REGARD EXPRESSED TOWARD OUR COUNTRY WAS GENUINE AND I THINK THAT THE EXERCISE, ALTHOUGH IMPROVISED, TURNED OUT TO BE BENEFICIAL.

MCCLINTOCK

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

NNN



## Message Attributes

**Automatic Decaptioning:** X  
**Capture Date:** 01 JAN 1994  
**Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Current Classification:** UNCLASSIFIED  
**Concepts:** PRESIDENT ELECT, REPRESENTATION AT CEREMONIES  
**Control Number:** n/a  
**Copy:** SINGLE  
**Draft Date:** 15 FEB 1974  
**Decaption Date:** 01 JAN 1960  
**Decaption Note:**  
**Disposition Action:** RELEASED  
**Disposition Approved on Date:**  
**Disposition Authority:** MorefiRH  
**Disposition Case Number:** n/a  
**Disposition Comment:** 25 YEAR REVIEW  
**Disposition Date:** 28 MAY 2004  
**Disposition Event:**  
**Disposition History:** n/a  
**Disposition Reason:**  
**Disposition Remarks:**  
**Document Number:** 1974CARACA01458  
**Document Source:** CORE  
**Document Unique ID:** 00  
**Drafter:** n/a  
**Enclosure:** n/a  
**Executive Order:** N/A  
**Errors:** N/A  
**Film Number:** n/a  
**From:** CARACAS  
**Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Image Path:**  
**ISecure:** 1  
**Legacy Key:** link1974/newtext/t19740230/aaaabbxg.tel  
**Line Count:** 52  
**Locator:** TEXT ON-LINE  
**Office:** ACTION ARA  
**Original Classification:** LIMITED OFFICIAL USE  
**Original Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Original Previous Classification:** n/a  
**Original Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Page Count:** 1  
**Previous Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Previous Classification:** LIMITED OFFICIAL USE  
**Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Reference:** n/a  
**Review Action:** RELEASED, APPROVED  
**Review Authority:** MorefiRH  
**Review Comment:** n/a  
**Review Content Flags:**  
**Review Date:** 23 SEP 2002  
**Review Event:**  
**Review Exemptions:** n/a  
**Review History:** RELEASED <23 SEP 2002 by boyleja>; APPROVED <26-Sep-2002 by MorefiRH>  
**Review Markings:**

Declassified/Released  
US Department of State  
EO Systematic Review  
30 JUN 2005

**Review Media Identifier:**  
**Review Referrals:** n/a  
**Review Release Date:** n/a  
**Review Release Event:** n/a  
**Review Transfer Date:**  
**Review Withdrawn Fields:** n/a  
**Secure:** OPEN  
**Status:** NATIVE  
**Subject:** FRIENDLY ATTITUDE OF ADECO LEADERS TOWARD THE UNITED STATES I WAS INVITED LAST NIGHT TO A HUGE GALA PARTY STAGED AT  
**TAGS:** PFOR, VE, (ANDRES PEREZ, CARLOS)  
**To:** STATE  
**Type:** TE  
**Markings:** Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 30 JUN 2005